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SENT FROM
DUBLI
Relating the true Condition of
IRELAN
As it now ſtands.

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A true Copy of a Letter from Dublin.

Mr. C.

I Have no time to write largely for this sodaine sending, for feare to lose the opportunity. By the next you shall heare further: I landed here upon Thursday.

Fifteen hundred men landed on Sunday under Sir Simon Harcolts command; and when they came neere Land, the Rebels did make fire on the top of Hils and Castles, to give the rest notice of the English comming.

There is within three miles round about Dublin above twenty thousand of Rebels.

A great many of the Poore that were rob'd in the City, die for hunger, ten, fifteene, twenty in a day; and God he

knowes without wee have preſent help, what will become of us.

Theſe fifteene Hundred that came over, went to the Maſse Houſes, and tooke thence there Pictures and broke them al to pieces.

The Fryers Prieſts, and many Papiſts are gone out of the City, I beleeve to the Rebels. Soe in great haſte, with my beſt wiſhes, I reſt

E. V.

THere are Lawes, and Ordinances of Warre eſtabliſhed for the good Conduct of the Souldiers dy IAMES ORMOND and OSSORY, Lord Viſcount THVRLES, Lord Baron of ARCLE, Lieutenant Generall of his Maieſties Forces, and One of the Lords of his Maieſties Privie Councell in IRELAND. Which Lawes and Orders every Captaine in the Armie is to cauſe to be read in the head of their ſeverall Companies forthwith, and the chief Officers of every Regiment muſt ſee to the carefull performance and obſervation aſwell of the Direction, as of thoſe Lawes and Orders.

By the Lords Iuſtices and Counſell.

W. Parſons. Io. Borlaſe.

WHereas by the frequent Concourſe of people to this City of dublin, the Country is deprived of Defence, and left open to the ſpoyle of the Rebells now in Armes in this Kingdome, the poore of thoſe parts are diſtitute of ſuccour and reliefe, and divers other inconveniences doe and may thence ariſe, unleſſe ſome timely remedy be applyed thereunto, we therefore doe hereby in his Majeſties name charge and command all and all manner of perſons (other then ſuch as have neceſſary cauſe to Dub in) ſuch as we the Lords Juſtices, or our very good Lord *James* Earle of Ormond and Oſſory, Lieutenant Generall, of his Majeſties Army in this Kingdome, or Sir *Charles Coote* Knight and Baronet, Governour of the Fortes in the City of Dublin, ſhall approve, and other then ſuch as ſhall bring Corne, and other proviſions of Victualls to this City to be ſold, that they forbeare comming to this City or Suburbs upon paine of Death. And whereas divers Cornemaſters within fifteene miles of Dublin, taking advantage of theſe times of diſorder doe raiſe the rates and prices of their Corne to very exceſſive and unreaſonable rates, for reformation whereof, and withall to provide

provide ſo as thoſe Corne-maſters may have a reaſonable price for their Corne, we doe hereby in his Majeſties name ſtrictly charge and command them at their extreame perrill, that they be carefull to ſend their Corne to this City to be ſold, at the rates, *viz.* Wheat, peaſe and beanes at twentie ſhilings a Dublin peck, and Oats at ſix ſhillings eight pence a barrell, beyond which rates we require them not to ſell, and above that rate we require all men not to buy, and according to that rate and proportion the Bakers are required to make their ſize of bread, And in caſe the Buyers or Sellors of Corne, or the Bakers, or any of them ſhall tranſgreſſe herein, they ſhall receive ſuch ſevere and exemplary punishment as is due to wilfull contemnors of his Majeſties authority. And in caſe any Corne-maſters within the ſaid limmit doe forbeare ſending their Corne hither to be ſold, other then ſo much whereof as may be needfull for ſubſtenance of themſelves and their familie, we will take ſuch a courſe as ſhall be fit as well for punishment of their neglects, as for preventing the Rebells from making uſe of the ſaid Corne.

Given at His Majeſties Caſtle of Dublin.

Ormond. Offory. *R. Dillon.* *Ad Doſtus.*

Cha. Coote. *Rob. Meredith.* *I. Temple.*

God ſave the King.

By the Lords, Iuſtices.

A Proclamation for the Prorogation of the PARLIAMENT.

W. Parſons. Io. Borlaſe.

WHereas the Kings moſt Excellent Majeſty by his Commiſſion under the great Seale of England, bearing date at Weſtminſter the fourth day of *January*, in the ſixteenth yeare of his Majeſties Reigne, hath given full authoritie unto Us the Lords Iuſtices joyntly, either to continue and hold the preſent Parliament by prorogation, or otherwiſe for ſuch longer time, or to determine the ſame, as we ſhould thinke meet. And whereas the ſaid Parliament is prorogued to the eleventh day of *January* next, Now we taking into our ſerious conſiderations the preſent eſtate and condition wherein this Kingdome now ſtands, weighing the manifold dangers and inconveniences that might happen by ſo great a Concourſe of People to this Citie of Dublin from all the parts of this Kingdome, as that Aſſembly of Parliament would neceſſarily draw together at that time, And alſo the great danger of his Majeſties

Majesties loving Subjects in travelling hither from many parts of this Kingdome, whereby also they should be drawne from the defence of their habitations and estates, have thought fit and resolved to prorogue, and we doe hereby prorogue the said Parliament from the said eleventh day of *Ianuary* unto the one and twenty day of *Iune* next following. And to the end that aswell the Lords Spirituall and Temporall, as the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses of Parliament may spare and forbere their attendance accordingly, we the Lords Iustices for their ease have thought fit by this Proclamation according to the authority to us given by his Majesties said Commission, to publish and declare the same, so that they need not to appeare the said eleventh day of *Ianuary* at the Castle or City of Dublin, but shall be discharged thereof against his Majesty. Nevertheless we the Lords Iustices doe will, charge and command them, and every of them, and all others to whom in this case it shall appertaine, That they and every of them doe personally appeare, and be present upon the said 21. day of Iune next comming at his Majesties Castle of Dublin, to treat, consult and conclude upon such matters, as in the said Parliament shall then and there of the common Councell of the Realme, by Gods favour happen to be ordained.

Given at Hls Majesties Castle of Dublin